

during the great fire in Broad street, in the city of New York, on the 25th July 1845 - And this deponent refers, as far as the truth of this statement relates to the loan of said 500 dollars, to Branch T. Archer, the only surviving ~~commissioner~~ member of said Commission, to whom this deponent has written to request him to corroborate or contradict the facts stated herein - And this deponent further says, that the 500 dollars spoken of above, is not, nor was not included in any other sum or sums, stated to have been loaned or advanced by the said deponent, to the said Commission, nor to any other person or persons in behalf of said State of Texas - And further this deponent says, that he is, at present, in a very destitute condition, so much so, that he is under the necessity of petitioning the Government of Texas to refund him the said sum of 500 dollars, with interest from the period when the loan was first made - And further this deponent saith No -

Dated at New York this twenty third day of October 1850

Sam'l Swartwout

State City & County of New York. I do hereby certify that on this twenty third day of October 1850 personally came before me Samuel Swartwout above named, who being by me first duly sworn did depose & say that the foregoing affidavit & the facts contained therein are true - & he did at the same place acknowledge that he executes the same - Given under my hand & seal of office the day and year & at the place above named - J.W.R. Bromley



Comt. of Deeds &c &c
for Texas.